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Dear Shelby:

Just a note to extend warmest congratulations on your selection as Executive Editor. Your prospective elevation in preference to others who have been at the paper much longer is a real tribute to you and your vision of the future.

I have thoroughly enjoyed our several conversations over the past few months and look forward to staying in touch.

Again, congratulations and best wishes.

Regards,



Robert M. Gates

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